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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

A legible copy of the Specification and Drawings are enclosed.

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TOTAL CLAIMS FEE	25	-	25	**	0	LG=\$50 SM=\$25	\$0	\$	0
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS FEE	5	-	3	***	2	LG=\$200 SM=\$100	\$200	\$	400
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS LARGE ENTITY FEE = \$360 SMALL ENTITY FEE = \$180								\$	0
ADDITIONAL SIZE FEE (IF ANY) (TOTAL PAGES OF SPEC AND DRAWINGS TOGETHER) \$250 FOR EACH ADDITIONAL 50 SHEETS								\$	0
Independent Claims: 1, 8, 9, 10, and 14 TOTAL								\$	400

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 5, 2005, please amend the abovereferenced application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.

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